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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS EASTERN DIVISION

JAN 3 0 2008 au JAN 30 2008 MICHAEL W. DOBBINS

TT 1: 10:	CLERK, U.S. DISTRICT COURT
United States of America ex rel. Daniel Coleman N94660 (Full name and prison number) (Include name under which convicted)))))
PETITIONER) CASE NO: (Supplied by Clerk of this Court)
Donald A. Hulick Warden (Warden, Superintendent, or authorized person having custody of petitioner) RESPONDENT, and (Fill in the following blank only if judgment	08CV660 JUDGE SHADUR MAGISTRATE JUDGE COLE
attacked imposes a sentence to commence in the future)))
ATTORNEY GENERAL OF THE STATE OF	Case Number of State Court Conviction:
(State where judgment entered)	
PETITION FOR WRIT OF HABEAS CO. 1. Name and location of court where conviction entered. Criminal Division 2650 South. 2. Date of judgment of conviction:	C. L. C. L. E. C. L. P. 1.1
3. Offense(s) of which petitioner was convicted (list al	i y
5. What was your plea? (Check one) (A) Not (B) Gui (C) Not	
If you pleaded guilty to one count or indictment and	not guilty to another count or indictment, give details:

PART I - TRIAL AND DIRECT REVIEW

1.	Kind of trial: (Check one):	Jury (X)	Judge (only ()	
2.	Did you testify at trial?	YES ()	NO	(X)	
3.	Did you appeal from the convic	tion or the sentence i	mposed? YES	(X) NO()	
	(A) If you appealed, give the		سر ا و ادر	11.	
	(1) Name of court:	pellate Court /	dist. Fin	st division	
	(2) Result: (2)	viction affirm	<u> Sentence</u>	Vacated	
	(3) Date of ruling:	Narch II, 20	02		
	(4) Issues raised: (97	estimony and i	<u>Written E</u>	<u>vidence th</u>	at deceased
	Landed a divorce 1	eined defende	<u>ant a fair</u>	Irial, Whe	<u>re there was M</u> o
	Showing that defe	endant was pre	esent'duri	ing any of H	e out-of-Court
	(B) If you did not appeal, exp	lain briefly why not:		° ' '(C(onto pg. 3)
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		<u> </u>			NO /)
4.	Did you appeal, or seek leave t	o appeal, to the highe	est state court?	YES 💢	NO ()
	(A) If yes, give the	n . [/-	T 100	1	
	(1) Result:	Denied leav	<u>e 10 Hyps</u>	<u>2aj</u>	•
	(2) Date of ruling:	ound Oct. 6,2004	1	an	ſ
	(3) Issues raised:	Mic Natural L	ife that U	vas reaffi	rmed
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				W#	
	(B) If no, why not:			<u></u>	
5.		ates Supreme Court f	or a writ of <i>cer</i>	rtiorari? Yes () No 🙀
	If yes, give (A) date of petition				
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(4) Issuses raised: Conversation with the deceased or otherwise knew of Plan.

2. Defendant was denied Due Process, when the Court barred Counsel from Cross-examining the Prosecutor, who took defendant Custodial Statement about Questions She did not ask him Concerning the events for which he was on trial.

3. Defendant was denied a fair trial by the trial Courts

3. Defendant was denied a fair trial by the trial Courts failure to instruct the Tury Sua-Sponte on the lesser mitigated offense or Second degree murder and to explain adequately

to defendant the basis of that instruction.

4. Defendant Natural Life Sentence must be Vacated because the Sentence Statute Authorizes an enhanced Sentence without the Constitutionally required Proof beyond a reasonable doubt and without Submission of the Aggravating factor for the Tury.

PART II - COLLATERAL PROCEEDINGS

*(c) Issues raised: Claim 3. Whether False declaration Occured before the Grand Jury: wherein Testimony was Presented to the Grand Jury implementing Petitioner, accuser testimony was altered at trial Proceedings both materially and Substantially by Post-indictment testimony. Therefore does said facts render the indictment and Judgment entered thereunder Void ? 5th Amend—ment, III. Const. Art. I sec. 7.

Claim 4 and 5. Whether Petitioner Constitutional Right was abrogated to Confront his accuser U.S.C. 6 th mendt: Ill. Const. Art. I sec. 8.

Claim 6. NO Issue Raised on the Sufficiency of Indictment whether Not-Prossed in the matter of Substance is void, By Not Resubmission to the Grand Tury, whether Trial Court Proceeded at trial via an Nugatory Indictment.

Claim 7. Whether Petitioner 5th Almendment, Ill.

Const. Art. Isec. 10 were violated being SubJect for the Same offense to be twice Put in Jeopardy 5th and 14th Amendment.

Claim 8. Whether this Change in Substantive Law automatically involves other Substantive issues.

Claim 9. Double Jeopardy Clause U.S.C. 5th Amend, Ill. Const. Art. 1 sec. 10, Standard of review is de novo.

Claim 10. The Res Judicata, Waiver Cause and PreJudices Fundamental Fairness Doctrines

Claim 11. The Harmless Error Doctrine.

Claim 12. Statement of Facts.

Claim 13. Whether the Circuit Court abused It's Discretion Producing a True Miscarriage of Justice, Violating Petitioner Constitutional Right (8) 5, 6, 14, Amendments, Ill. Const. Art. 1 sec. 2: 1 sec. 13: 1 sec. 8: 0f the Code (185 Ill. 20 114) of Criminal Procedure of 1963

Claim 14. Whether this indictment or information must be dismissed as a matter of Laws after a Plea has been entered the Court may dismiss the indictment UPON any of the following grounds — Petitioner has NOT been Placed on Trial in Compliance Within Section 725 ILCS 5/103-5(A) Statute

*E. What was the Courts ruling? Trial Court Summarily dismissed Petitioner's Post Conviction Petition and Habeas Corpus Petition after finding that the claim in both were barred by the doctrines of res Judicata or waiver as well as frivolous and without

*H. (A) IF yes, (1) what was the result? Dismissed defendant's Pro-Se Post Conviction Petition because he failed to attach supporting clocumentation or an explanation for its absence, a fact

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* H.(A) Which alone Justified dismissal.

(2) Date of Decision: June 22, 2007-File Petition For Rehearing on July 13, 2007, rehearing Denied on July 19, 2007.

2. Cor	With wict	respe ion pr	ect to this conviction or sentence, cocedure, such as coram nobis or	have you filed a petition in a state habeas corpus? YES	e court using any other form of post- NO ()
	A.	If ye	s, give the following information		(use separate sheets if necessary):
		1.	Nature of proceeding	Separate Sheet Ont.	zg. 9.
		2.	Date petition filed		
		3.	Ruling on the petition		
		4.	Date of ruling		
		5.	If you appealed, what was the ruling on appeal?	A CONTRACTOR OF THE PROPERTY O	•
		6.	Date of ruling on appeal		
		7.	If there was a further appeal, what was the ruling?	_No	
		8.	Date of ruling on appeal	TO THE REST.	
	В.		the court rule on your petition? I Ruling: Date:	If so, state	
· <u>ø</u>	pe If; Your Ari Pe	tition? ves, ex ves, ex ves	P YES (X) NO () plain: Around July 19,200 ugust 24,2006 petitione (F) Oetition denied.	6, letitioner file a 735. er was writinto Court, letitioner Appeal ai	TLCS 5/2-140/ (F) and (C). Around August 24, 2006. Tound August 24, 2006. Weil File a Finley motion Motion to Attorney
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*A. Yes, give the following information with respect to each Proceeding (USE (ing) Separate Sheet)

1. Nature of Proceeding: Around June 25, 2003, File Habeas Corpus relief in Randolph County Illinois: Daniel Coleman V. Eugene Mc Adory Warden-Case no. 03-MR 38.

2. Denied - August 6, 2003.

3. Yes: Appealed: File may 3, 2004, Late Notice of Appeal.

4. On or about May 14, 2004, the Appellate Court Fifth Judicial district - Denied Petitioner Late Notice OF Appeal; Daniel Coleman V. Eugene Mc Adory Warden Case no. 5-04-0282

PART III - PETITIONER'S CLAIMS

1. State <u>briefly</u> every ground on which you claim that you are being held unlawfully. Summarize <u>briefly</u> the <u>facts</u> supporting each ground. You may attach additional pages stating additional grounds and supporting facts. If you fail to set forth all grounds in this petition, you may be barred from presenting additional grounds later.

BEFORE PROCEEDING IN THE FEDERAL COURT, YOU MUST ORDINARILY FIRST EXHAUST YOUR STATE COURT REMEDIES WITH RESPECT TO EACH GROUND FOR RELIEF ASSERTED.

Call by the land Athense L. I 1/2 Parchanceion
(A) Ground one Constitutiona Violation 5 Amendment NO Resubmission Supporting facts (tell your story briefly without citing cases or law):
No resubmission To the Grand Jury that issued 97 CR 9541 True Bill OF INDIC-
tment kendering (hnuiction void Ab initio.
Petitioner on February 27, 1997, was indicted by the Grand Jury
for 3 Counts of First degree triurder and 2 Counts of Home Invasion,
After the State Not-Prossed one Count of Murder 9-1(A)(3) Forcible
Felony and Two Count's of Home Invasion 12-11-CA) (1) and 12-11-CA)(2)
of Section 5 act 720 petitioner was convicted and Sentence of the Two
(Cont. pg. //)
(B) Ground two Constitutional Violation 5 Amendt, Fail to Alleged All, Essential Elements Supporting facts:
However, Challenged after the Verdict Failure of the indictment to
Alleged All the Essential elements of an offense is A Jurisdictional
defect requiring dismissal of 97 CR 95 4/indictment
Petitioner was Indicted by the Grand Jury for First degree
murder and home invasion (NO Burtal Nor Heinous) this element was
NOT required VIA Indichment of A Grand Jury, See, pg. 19 thry 24.
"Chiefly: that NO person (Mr. Coleman) can be held to answer,
without Presentment or indictment by a Grand Jury, for any crime for
which an infamous punishment may be imposed by the court. The question is whether the Crime is one for which the Statutes Authorize
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question is whether Mecrime is one for which the ordinates puting the
The court to award an infamous punishment, NOT whether the (Cont. pg.12.)
(Cont. pg./2.)

* (A) Ground one: remaining Count's of First degree Murder.... This Amendment (deleting) Indictment 97 CR 9541 the Alteration of the Charging Term of AN Indictment in effect after the Grand Jury has made a decision on it to do Shall violate Mr. Coleman right to indictment by the Grand Jury, See exhibit (8) pg. 19thru 24 When the indictment is filed with the Court NO Change (s) Can be made in the body of the Instrument by order of the Court or by the Prosecuting Attorney without a resubmission of the Case to the Grand Jury Upon 97 CR. 9541 indictment Changed without resubmission of this case to the Grand Jury the Court Can Proceed No Further there is Nothing in the language of the Constitution which Petitioner can be held to ANSWER. A Frial on Such 99 CR 9541 indictment is void. IN light of the Rule that the guaranty of the Indictment by a Grand Jury implies that an indictment may NOT BE AMEND. A mere in Spection of the Charging instrument 97 CR 9541 and 1st fage of Appellate Court 1st district 1st Division Proof of Not-Prossed in Support of this claim the Circuit Court has exceed its lawful Jurisdiction render ing Conviction and Sentence Void ... where there is a want of Authority! Turisdiction over the SubJect matter the Judgment is open to Successful impeachment, if Such Fact is made to Appear from the Face of the record

or by matters) dehors. See exhibit (5) pg. 19thru24 and 27 thru 47

The Power of the Court to Proceed to try Petitioner is as much arrested as if the Indictment has been dismissed or a Nolle Prosequi as

in this case been entered.

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*(B) Ground two Punishment Ultimately awarded is an infamous one.

When Mr. Coleman accused is being SubJected to an infamous Punishment if Convicted, Petitioner has the right to insist that he shall not be Put upon this (No Charge via Grand Jury), except on the accusation of a Grand Jury. This Conviction is based upon an indictment which Failed to allege an essential element Violating Petitioner 5th Amendment right to be tried upon Charges found by the Grand Jury.

(C) Ground three Speedy Trial Violation Constitutional 6th and Statutory Supporting facts
Vetitioner the accused is entitled to a Speed trial in All. Criminal
acceptation Retitioner became the orchised the moment the Good Tury
no him I lb is The a last Off Of Of Of the following the day before
expected that he would be tried for the offenses Charged by the
Grand Jury: He was NOT.
Petitioner had an expectancy to be Sentenced based on the Jury's
verdict: He was NOT. * Cont. pg. 14 and 15.
Verdict, He was NoT. Cont. pg. 14 and 15. (D) Ground four Stipulation to D.N.A. latent privits, Pubic hair are Invalid. Supporting facts:
Tripl Afforney Charles Buchholz Fraudulant Concealed exculpatory
D.N.A. latent prints. Pubic hair evidance by his Stipulating to elemental
facts, Waiving petitioner Constitutional Right to a Jury Trialon
these elements; see, pg. 66 thru 76, F-140 thru F-150 which denied petitioner a Fair tripl, D. N. A., latent prints, Pubic — *Cont. pg. 15 thru/7.
denied petitioner a Fair triple D. N. A. latent prints. Pubic -
* Cont. Da. 15 thru 17.
2. Have all grounds raised in this natition been presented to the highest court having invisdiction?

YES 💢 NO ()

3. If you answered "NO" to question (2), state <u>briefly</u> what grounds were not so presented and why not:

* (c) Ground three. The Circuit Court exceeded it's lawful Turisdiction as been inserted in Claim 2 and 2, after deleting, termining Count's of the True Bill 97 CR 9541 - No Resubmission to the Grand Jury rendering Conviction voio ... Further the Trial Court Convicted and Sentence Petitioner NOT by Law to an uncharged infamous Crime element NOT required by Indictment of a Grand Tury; See exhibit : Proceeding (5) pg.29-line 1-12. Petitioner Trial has taken from April 11, 1997 to the Present date and no Final Judgment has been entered which Finalize this Prosecution. Petitioner has Yet to be sentence, or the trial finalized Pursuant to State and Pederal Law.

There is No dispute that a Sentence is the Final Judgment in a Cominal Case, and an Appeal Technically Cannot be intertain absent the imposition of a Sentence: Appeal from Final Judgment; Since as a matter of Law the Appellate Court Lack Jurisdiction to review a VOID Judgment; NO Sentence as to the Jury Verdict been render by Trip I Court. No res Judicata or Waiver APPly, APPellate

Court Lack Jurisdiction to review; see, Pg. 29-11Nes 74hr 12 and Pg. 30. The Practice of Amending, deleting on the Court's, own Motion - No Resubmission to the Grand Jury 97 CR, 9541 indictment is VoiD: Further the instant the Circuit Court usurped the Province of the Grand Jury, by going beyond the Jury verdict

*(C) Ground three: Circuit Court lost SubJect Matter

Jurisdiction - No Appeal Could be taken From a Judgment that is

not Final or Void... Petitioner Right to A Speedy Tripl been

Abrogated.

Chiefly, most importantly the Supremacy Clause of the United States Constitution Provides that this Constitution, and the Laws of the United States. Shall be the Supreme Law of the Land. And Thing in the Constitution or Laws of any State to the Contrary notwith standing. United State Constitution Art VI, C.I. 2. Thus, a State Law is without effect if it Conflicts with a Federal Law as in this Case before the Honorable Justices.

State Courtes) have an obligation to enforce and Protect every right granted by the Constitution of the United States whenever those rights are involved in a Civil or Criminal Proceeding before them. Petitioner Rights) guaranteed by the Due Process Clause of the fourteenth amendments the Constitutional right to

DUE Process of Law must Prevail; U.S.C.14 # sec.1.

* (D) Ground Four: hair(s) Such evidance is relevent and admissible only if a Close Connection Can be demonstrated between Someone else and the Commission of the offense.

A Stipulation to a Fact at Trial Acts as a waiver of

the right to a Trial by Petit Jury on the Stipulation issue.

*(D) Most importantly as Previously raised in Claims I and 2:5th Amendment U.S.C. Violation terminating, deleting, Nolle Prosequi Countes in Substance - No Resubmission to the Grand Jury
void Indictment rendering Conviction void Ab initio; Also Trial
Court exceeding its lawful Jurisdiction, therefore, Trial Attorney
Charles Buchholz Stipulation is NOT Vaild - Waiver on Stipulation as to D. N. A., does NOT APPLY

Trial Attorney Mr. Charles Buchholz ineffectiveness of of Counsel violating Petitioner 5th 6th U.S.C. right., See, exhibits, Pg. 20-25 indictment, and, A-1 thru A-21 Pg. 32 thru 48, report of Proceeding; Counsel Performance was so deficient as to be objectly unreasonable and there exists) a reasonable Probability that for the error of Counsel, the result of the Proceedings would have been diff-

event. Petitioner has a Constitutional right to effectiveness assistance of Appeal Attorney's Attorney Michelle Kalisiak was PostConviction and State Habeas Corpus Attorney on appeal. See Pg. 48thru 55 Habeas

Corpus record of Proceedings.

Appeal Attorney Michelle Kalisiak Performance was deficient as well as Cunning, Circumventing Petitioner PostConviction Petition Viewing record of Proceeding (A-1 thru A-21 Pg. 32 thru48) Compare Appellate Count Order, Pg. (57 thru60) Court order which does Not Acknowledge All of the Constitutional violation 55 6, 14 Sec. 1 that were meritoriously raised within petitioner postConviction and

* (D). State Habeas Corpus Petition (s)..., therefore, fetitioner had to file for rehearing Supreme Court Rule 367 on July 13, 2007 to reserve those meritorious issue's raised by Petitioner that Attorney Michelle Kalisiak Sought to waive — Failure To Raise Sufficiency of Indictment, Lack of SubJect - matter Jurisdiction rendering Conviction Void, Failure to raise Double Teopardy Violation, Harmless Error Doctrine, and the Res Judicata and waiver Cause and Prejudies Fundamental Fairness Doctrine.

The Circuit Court of Cook County Rule that Petitioner Post Conviction and Habeas Corpus Petition (s) were barred by Res Judicata and waiver, frivolous without merit... Chiefly the Circuit Court exceeded it (s) lawful SubJect-Matter Jurisdiction rendering Conviction void-lack of SubJect matter Jurisdiction where as Appellate Court lack Jurisdiction No Final Judgment; thus, Res Judicata Nor Waiver Apply Petitioner Claim is meritorious.

Petitioner Pray that this United State District Court

9 rant Petitioner immediate Released—the Circuit Court OF Cook

County Did Not have Jurisdiction To Order Petitioner incarcer—

otion as Petitioner is Presently incarcerated

<u>PART IV – REPRESENTATION</u>

Give the attacked	name and address, if known, of each attorney who represented you in the following stages of the judgment herein:
(A)	At preliminary hearing NO ONE
(B)	At arraignment and plea
(C)	Attrial Charles & Buchholz 2650 So California
(D)	At sentencing Charles S. Buchholz 2650 S. California
(E)	On appeal Alison Edwards
(F)	In any post-conviction proceeding post Conviction and Habeas Michelle Kalisiak Appear
(G)	Other (state):
PART V	7 – FUTURE SENTENCE
Do you l	nave any future sentence to serve following the sentence imposed by this conviction?
YES () NO 🚫
Name an	id location of the court which imposed the sentence:
Date and	length of sentence to be served in the future
ргос <mark>ее</mark> di	EREFORE, petitioner prays that the court grant petitioner all relief to which he may be entitled in this ng. on: January 38, 2008 Signature of attorney (if any)
	I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. (Signature of petitioner) (I.D. Number) (Address)

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For The Northern District OF IlliNois

Daniel Coleman Plaintiff
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Donald A. Hulick-warden
Lisa Madigan - Attorney General
Defendant(s)

Case No. 97 CR 9541 The Honorable Judge Lawrence Fox Presiding

Document(s) IN Support of This Claim Petition For Writ of Habeas Corpus... Petitioner in State Custody

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Petitioner in State Custody,	
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CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY
COUNTY DEPARTMENT
CRIMINAL DIVISION
March, 1997

The People of the State of Illinois

v. Daniel Coleman

* INDICTMENT FOR *

FIRST DEGREE MURDER, ETC

Marin Williams

Poreman of the Grand Jury

WITNESSES
DET. TERRENCE O'CONNOR

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STATE OF ILLINOIS)

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COUNTY OF COOK

The MARCH, 1997 Grand Jury of the Circuit Court of Cook County.

The Grand Jurors chosen, selected, and sworn, in and for the County of Cook, in the State of Illinois, in the name and by the authority of the People of the State of Illinois, upon their oaths present that on or about FEBRUARY 27, 1997 at and within the County of Cook

DANIEL COLEMAN

committed the offense of FIRST DEGREE MURDER

in that HE, WITHOUT LAWFUL JUSTIFICATION INTENTIONALLY OR

KNOWINGLY STABBED, CUT, BEAT AND KILLED

MARCHELLE COLEMAN WITH A KNIFE AND HANDS,

IN VIOLATION OF CHAPTER 720 ACT 5

SECTION 9-1(A) (1), OF THE ILLINOIS COMPILED STATUTES 1992.

AS AMENDED AND,

contrary to the Statute and against the peace and dignity of the same People of the State of Illinois.

CHARGE ID CODE: 735000

COUNT 02

The Grand Jurors chosen, selected, and sworn, in and for the County of Cook, in the State of Illinois, in the name and by the authority of the People of the State of Illinois, upon their oaths present that on or about FEBRUARY 27, 1997 at and within the County of Cook

DANIEL COLEMAN

In that HE, WITHOUT LAWFUL JUSTIFICATION

STABBED, CUT, BEAT AND KILLED

MARCHELLE COLEMAN WITH A KNIFE AND HANDS,

KNOWING THAT SUCH STABBING, CUTTING, AND

BEATING WITH A KNIFE AND HANDS CREATED A

STRONG PROBABILITY OF DEATH OR GREAT

BODILY HARM TO MARCHELLE COLEMAN,

IN VIOLATION OF CHAPTER 720 ACT 5

SECTION 9-1(A)(2), OF THE ILLINOIS COMPILED STATUTES 1992,

contrary to the Statute and against the peace and dignity of the same People of the State of Illinois.

AS AMENDED AND,

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COUNTY 03

The Grand Jurors chosen, selected, and sworn, in and for the County of Cook, in the State of Illinois, in the name and by the authority of the People of the State of Illinois, upon their oaths present that on or about FEBRUARY 27, 1997 at and within the County of Cook

DANIEL COLEMAN

FIRST DEGREE MURDER committed the offense of in that HE, WITHOUT LAWFUL JUSTIFICATION STABBED, CUT, BEAT AND KILLED MARCHELLE COLEMAN WITH A KNIFE AND HANDS DURING THE COMMISSION OF A FORCIBLE FELONY, TO WIT: HOME INVASION, IN VIOLATION OF CHAPTER 720 ACT 5 SECTION 9-1(A)(3), OF THE ILLINOIS COMPILED STATUTES 1992, AS AMENDED AND,

contrary to the Statute and against the peace and dignity of the same People of the State of Illinois.

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COUNT 04

committed the offense of

The Grand Jurors chosen, selected, and sworn, in and for the County of Cook, in the State of Illinois, in the name and by the authority of the People of the State of Illinois, upon their oaths present that on or about FEBRUARY 27, 1997 at and within the County of Cook

DANIEL COLEMAN

HOME INVASION

in that HE, NOT BEING A PEACE OFFICER ACTING IN THE LINE

OF DUTY, WITHOUT AUTHORITY KNOWINGLY ENTERED THE

DWELLING PLACE OF ANOTHER, TO WIT: THE APARTMENT OF

MARCHELLE COLEMAN, LOCATED AT 1038 WEST

ROSEMONT, IN THE CITY OF CHICAGO, COOK COUNTY,

ILLINOIS, AND HE KNEW THAT ONE OR MORE

PERSONS WERE PRESENT THEREIN, AND WHILE

A RMIFE, USED FORCE UPON
MARCHELLE COLEMAN WITHIN SAID DWELLING
PLACE, IN VIOLATION OF CHAPTER 720 ACT 5
SECTION 12-11-(A)(1), OF THE ILLINOIS COMPILED STATUTES

ARMED WITH A DAMGEROUS WEAPON, TO WIT:

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contrary to the Statute and against the peace and dignity of the same People of the State of Illinois.

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The Grand Jurors chosen, selected, and sworn, in and for the County of Cook, in the State of Illinois, in the name and by the authority of the People of the State of Illinois, upon their oaths present that on or about FEBRUARY 27, 1997 at and within the County of Cook

DANIEL COLEMAN

committed the offense of Home invasion

in that HE, NOT BEING A PEACE OFFICER ACTING IN THE LINE

OF DUTY, WITHOUT AUTHORITY ENOWINGLY ENTERED THE

DWELLING PLACE OF ANOTHER, TO WIT: THE APARTMENT OF

MARCHELLE COLEMAN, TO WIT: LOCATED AT 1038 WEST

ROSEMONT, IN THE CITY OF CHICAGO, COOK COUNTY,

ILLINOIS, AND HE KNEW THAT ONE OR MORE

PERSONS WERE PRESENT THEREIN, AND

INTENTIONALLY INJURED MARCHELLE COLEMAN

WITHIN SAID DWELLING PLACE, TO WIT: STABBED,

CUT, AND BEAT MARCHELLE COLEMAN WITH A KNIFE

AND HANDS EILLING HER, IN VIOLATION OF

CRAPTER 720 ACT 5 SECTION 12-11-(A)(2),

OF THE ILLINOIS COMPILED STATUTES 1992,

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contrary to the Statute and against the peace and dignity of the same People of the State of Illinois.

AS AMENDED AND,

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(Manteipâl) People of the State of Illinois	(Division) (District)
	No. 7/45/456
Defendant Defendant	S. I. D. *#
ORDER OF SENTENCE AND CON ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF CO	
The defendant having been adjudged guilty of committing the offer IT IS ORDERED that the defendant sentenced to the ILLINOIS DEFARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AS FOLLOWS:	Collinar be and is hereby
sentenced to the ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AS FOLLOWS:	Life In the second of the seco
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IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Clerk of the Court shadel	ILCS
	the defendant into custody and deliver him/her to the
IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Illinois Department of Christian her in the manner provided by law until the above sentence is fulfilled.	one shall take the defendant into custody and confine him/
PREPARED BY ENTER ENTER	JUDGE 199
7-7-99 WAL YTHUO	O XOOD ENTERED OROOH MARISA C. FERRELL
BRANCH COURT OF THE PARTY OF TH	CLERK OF CIRCUIT COURT CHIMINAL DIVISION
AURELIA PUCINȘKI, CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COU	RT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
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328 Ill.App.3d 688, 262 Ill.Dec. 928

Appellate Court of Illinois, First District, First Division.

The PEOPLE of the State of Illinois, Plaintiff-Appellee,

Daniel COLEMAN, Defendant-Appellant.
No. 1-99-2714.
March 11, 2002.

After the State nol-prossed the home invasion counts and one of the murder counts, defendant was convicted in the Circuit Court of Cook County, Lawrence P. Fox, J., of the two remaining counts of first degree murder, and he appealed. The Appellate Court, Cohen, P.J., held that statute which allowed trial court to sentence defendant to term of natural life imprisonment upon finding that the murder was accompanied by exceptionally brutal or heinous behavior indicative of wanton cruelty was unconstitutional pursuant to Apprendi, holding that any fact that increases penalty for a crime beyond prescribed statutory maximum must be submitted to jury and proved beyond a reasonable doubt, and thus, defendant's matural life sentence could not stand.

Affirmed in part and vacated in part; cause remanded.

West Headnotes

[1] Criminal Law \$\infty\$661 110 ----110XX Trial 110XX(C) Reception of Evidence 110k661 Necessity and Scope of Proof.

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110XXIV Review

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1	STATE OF ILLINOIS)	
2	COUNTY OF COOK	
3	IN THE CIRCUIT COUR COUNTY DEPAR	T OF COOK COU NTY, ILLINOIS TMENT-CRIMINAL DI VISION
4	THE PEOPLE OF THE)	
5	STATE OF ILLINOIS,	
6	Plaintiff,	NO. 97 CR 9541 (01)
7	vs.	Charge: Murder
8	DANIEL COLEMAN,	
9	.Defendant.	
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11	REPORT OF THE F	PROCEEDINGS had at the
12	post-conviction of the above-en	titled cause, before the
13	HONORABLE LAWRENCE P.	FOX, Judge of said court, on the
14	13th day of June, A.D., 2005.	
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22	CAROLYN C. BROWN, CSR, F	RPR
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24	Criminal Division	

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1	THE COURT: This is Daniel Coleman. Daniel
2	Coleman is this defendant's name. And the Case No. is
3	97 09541. And I'm going to come over here, but I need
4	to file it's a post-conviction and a habeas corpus both
5	per the court. This is Daniel Coleman. Case No. 97
6	09541.
7	After a jury found the defendant Daniel
8	Coleman guilty of the offense of murder in this case on
9	July 7, 1999, he was sentenced to a term of natural
10	life imprisonment based on the Court's finding that
11	offense was accompanied by exceptionally brutal and
12	heinous behavior indicative of wanton cruelty.
13	In his initial appeal the Appellate Court
14	affirmed his conviction, but vacated his natural life
15	sentence. Thereafter, the Illinois Supreme Court
16	vacated the Appellate Court's opinion with directions
17	to the Appellate Court to reconsider its ruling
18	regarding the defendant's Apprendi versus New Jersey
19	contentions in light of the Supreme Court decisions in
20	People versus Crespo, C-r-e-s-p-o, 302 III. 2nd 335;
21	People versus Thurow, T-h-u-r-o-w, 203 III. 2nd 352;
22	People versus Swift 202 III. 2nd 378; and People versus
23	Kaczmarek, K-a-c-z-m-a-r-e-k, 207 III. 2nd 288.
24	The Appellate Court then in March of 2004

1	affirmed both the defendant's conviction and his
2	natural life sentence considering the defendant's
3	Apprendi claims a second time and rejecting them
4	pursuant to the Supreme Court cases that I just cited
5	and the directions that the Appellate Court received
6	from the Supreme Court.
7	The defendant's 25 page petition for
8	post-conviction relief in this case was stamped filed
9	by the Clerk's office on March 16, 2005. In it he
10	presents 14 claims. Many of which amount to different
11	constitutional violations based on his being sentenced
12	to life imprisonment, based on factors that were not
13	presented to the jury, and proof beyond a reasonable
14	doubt.
15	Those, of course, are claims which are based
16	on Apprendi versus New Jersey, and they're the same
17	claims that he presented in his direct appeal to both
18	the Illinois Appellate Court and the Illinois Supreme
19	Court and, therefore, they are specifically barred by
20	res judicata in this post-conviction proceeding.
21	Furthermore, all of the claims he makes,
22	regardless of the application of either res judicata or
23	waiver, are frivolous and patently without merit and
24	subject to summary dismissal for those reasons.

1	l aking his claims in reverse order, and he
2	presented his claims in Roman numerals. So claim XIV
3	would be claim 14 and I'm taking these in reverse
4	order, but I'm going to say 14, and I'm going to
5	request the Court Reporter to transcribe the number 14
6	in Roman numerals, if you will.
7	So taking his claims in reverse order, claim
8	XIV is that his right to a speedy trial was violated
9	because he was never sentenced for the offense that the
10	jury found him guilty of and, therefore, the trial and
11	judgment were never finalized by his being sentenced
12	for that offense. So he claims he was not placed on
13	trial in accordance with the Speedy Trial Act, and is
14	therefore entitled to dismissal of all of the charges
15	against him.
16	Of course no case or any other authority for
17	those propositions is cited by the defendant, and the
18	fact is he was sentenced for the offense he was found
19	guilty of to life imprisonment which did, in fact,
20	finalize the prosecution of that offense and allowed
21	him to then go on and effect his appeal of his
22	conviction and that sentence.
23	The fact that he was sentenced to an extended
24	term sentence for that offense is not, and has never

1	been the basis of a speedy trial claim as to that
2	offense Claim XIII is a somewhat convoluted allegation
3	which states that this matter is now before the court
4	due to a finding that, I as the judge, entered an
5	unlawful finding which exceeded the scope of the jury
6	verdict in sentencing him to life imprisonment and that
7	the original indictment was voided when quote "It
8	exceeded" end quote, and his right to a speedy trial
9	has been abrogated having not be tried by a jury on
10	those issues.
11 ⁻	Just another way of stating a speedy trial
12	claim as far as that's concerned, but with respect to
13	the speedy trial claim that he rephrases here, brutal
14	and heinous sentence enhancement factors are simply not
15	an offense to which the Speedy Trial Statute or speedy
16	trial rights attach. But on the other hand, they have
17	no effect on the underlying conviction for the offense
18	to which they are applied.
19	Nor is the charging instrument in this case
20	somehow nullified by the fact that an enhanced sentence
21	is imposed for an offense for which the defendant is
22	convicted.
23	Finally, this case is not here from the
24	Appellate Court or due to any finding by a higher

1	court, but on the other hand is here only based on the
2	defendant's filing a post-conviction petition, and then
3	subsequently a habeas corpus petition.
4	Claim XII is a due process Apprendi claim
5	that he had the right to notice and a jury trial on
6	facts other than a prior conviction that increase the
7	maximum penalty for the crime he was charged with.
8	Claim XI asserts that the harmless error
9	doctrine is not applicable where there was no jury
10	verdict on brutal and heinous factors and, therefore,
11	no object upon which harmless error scrutiny can
12	operate. That's an interesting proposition, but one
13	which is totally inapposite to the holdings, the
14	specific holdings in the cases of People versus Crespo,
15	203 III. 2nd 335 and People versus Kaczmarek 207 III.
16	2nd 288.
17	Claim X talks about an unnamed, unspecified
18	and uncited Illinois Supreme Court case saying that a
19	double jeopardy claim in a post-conviction proceeding
20	is not barred by waiver and res judicata, and that
21	fundamental fairness requires relaxation of those rules
22	on any double jeopardy claim, but even if those rules
23	must be relaxed, there can be no relief if there is
24	absolutely no substance or merit to a double jeopardy

1	claim. And here there is no merit to the defendant's
2	claim that by being sentenced to an extended term he
3	was twice placed in jeopardy for the offense of murder.
4	The case he refers to is unnamed and uncited
5	because it simply doesn't exist. Nor does the unnamed,
6	unspecified, uncited case that he refers to in VIIII,
7	which supposedly says under the circumstances in this
8	case he cannot be convicted and sentenced for an
9	uncharged greater offense.
10	That simply didn't occur in this case anyway,
11	where the defendant was convicted and sentenced for
12	only the charged offense of murder.
13	Likewise, Claim VIII has no merit, wherein he
14	alleges the State had no authority and the Court no
15	jurisdiction in a prosecution for a greater offense not
16	charged in the indictment, because no prosecution for a
17	greater offense occurred, but only the prosecution for
18	the charged offense of murder.
19	In Claim No. VII, he first asserts the double
20	jeopardy claim, which he revisits in Claim X, but as
21	stated previously the double jeopardy clause simply
22	does not apply to enhance sentencing for an offense for
23	which the defendant is tried and convicted.
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1	Regardless of how the defendant chooses to
2	phrase his claims in numbers VII through XIV, and
3	regardless of the discussion I've just issued of their
4	lack of merit, they are all claims based on Apprendi
5	versus New Jersey, which was the thrust of the
6	defendant's direct appeal in this case.
7	Under the cases of People versus Mahaffey,
8	M-a-h-a-f-f-e-y, 2000 LEXIS 1391, and People versus
9	Fare, 193 III. 2nd 256 in cases cited in those cases,
10	he cannot escape the application of res judicata by
11	simply rephrasing his claims or signing different ways
12	to phrase these Apprendi claims that he persists in
13	making in this post-conviction petition.
14	Claims VI, raises the issue of the
15	sufficiency of the indictment and whether the State had
16	the right to nolle pros certain counts of the
17	indictment and proceed to trial on others, or whether,
18	according to the defendant, that amounts to proceeding
19	to trial on a quote, nugatory n-u-g-a-t-o-r-y, end
20	quote, indictment, or for that matter whether this
21	somehow amounts to amendment of the indictment which
22	would require the State to re-indict the defendant on
23	only the counts the State intends to proceed to trial
24	on.

1	Voluntarily dismissal of certain charges and
2	proceeding to trial on others has absolutely no effect
3	on the validity of an indictment, nor does this amount
4	to amendment of the indictment requiring the State to
5	re-indict. Dropping charges is simply not the same
6	thing as amending them.
7	Claim V, alleges a violation of the
8	Sixth Amendment Confrontation Clause, as does Claim IV.
9	In Claim V, the defendant argues that because
10	he wasn't present for any of the out-of-court
11	conversations in which the victim made statements to
12	others about wanting a divorce, and because he had
13	never seen the "to-do-lists" to-do should be in
14	parenthesis, or it should be in quotation marks, which
15	included the notation, again in quotation marks, get
16	divorced, and that list was actually offered into
17	evidence against him at trial, he claims that because
18	he had never seen that list it was for some reason not
19	admissible against him.
20	His presence during a conversation or his
21	observation of a piece of paper prior to his arrest has
22	absolutely no bearing on the admissibility of that
23	evidence, which is later offered against him at trial.
24	Non-hearsay statements or statements within a

1	hearsay exception not made inadmissible because the
2	defendant was not present at the time those statements
3	were made, nor is evidence that he didn't happen to see
4	prior to his arrest somehow inadmissible because he
5	didn't see it. That doesn't make it inadmissible.
6	He has the right or his lawyer has the right
7	to see evidence that is going to be offered against
8	him, but the fact that he never saw that before he was
9	arrested has no bearing on its admissibility.
10	Furthermore, this issue was raised in his
11	appeal and, therefore, is barred in this proceeding by
12	res judicata, regardless of his attempt to rephrase
13	this claim; like he does with all of his Apprendi
14	claims.
15	Challenging this evidence now as a
16	confrontation violation, as opposed to the way that he
17	challenged it in his appeal as slimly claiming that it
18	was admissible hearsay, does not avoid the application
19	of the Res Judicata Doctrine.
20	In Claim III, the defendant claims the
21	testimony of Detective Terry O'Connor before the Grand
22	Jury on March 24, 1997, with his again convoluted
23	interpretation of O'Connor's trial testimony, which he
24	attaches to his petition by way of a transcript, which

1	he's basically destroyed by crossing out selected
2	words, phrases, questions and answers, and inserting
3	his own notes and comments instead.
4	An example of how farfetched this claim is,
5	is where he claims at the Grand Jury, Detective
6	O'Connor stated his first name was Terry, and then at
7	trial the defendant claims he perjured himself when he
8	said Terry, and then he said, well, it's actually
9	Terrence. That kind of claim is a good example of the
10	substantive merit of this entire post-conviction
11	petition where he's, he's seriously claiming that
12	Detective O'Connor perjured himself by saying his name
13	is Terry and then saying his actual name is Terrence.
14	As if that is perjury. Terry is obviously a shortened
15	version of Terrence that is as far from something that
16	amounts to perjury as you can possibly get.
17	The rest of this claim that compares
18	O'Connor's Grand Jury testimony to his trial testimony
19	is comparing his testimony at the Grand Jury where he
20	responds to questions about what his investigation of
21	the victim Marchelle, M-a-r-c-h-e-l-l-e, Coleman's
22	testimony I'm sorry. Strike testimony. The rest of
23	his claim compares O'Connor's Grand Jury testimony
24	where he responds to questions about what his

1	investigation of Marchelle Coleman's nomicide of death
2	showed, in terms of what information was garnered from
3	different sources during the course of his
4	investigation. And he compares that with his testimony
5	at trial that refers to specific times and places that
6	are completely different, or specific as opposed to
7	general questions about what the investigation
8	revealed, or what the investigation showed.
9	So in other words, O'Connor testifies at the
10	Grand Jury about the defendant being present and armed
11	with a knife and stabbing and cutting and beating the
12	victim, and says that that's all based on interviews
13	that he has with other witnesses, the defendant, and
14	actually viewing the scene of the crime, and that's
15	kind of a summary of what his investigation in the case
16	revealed.
17	The defendant then compares that to testimony
18	he gave at trial about, specifically about his initial
19	conversation with the defendant when he first had
20	contact had with him in the alley at 7500 North Ridge,
21	and then his conversation with him thereafter at Area
22	3 .
23	Not only is there absolutely no showing of
24	any false statement by Detective O'Connor, the

1	defendant's attempt to compare his testimony at trial
2	and the testimony he gave before the Grand Jury,
3	completely fails because he's asked completely
4	different questions relating to different times and
5	places and aspects of his investigation that are not
6	the same subject matter.
7	Claim No. II, is a claim of ineffective
8	assistance of appellate counsel for failing to raise
9	trial counsel's ineffectiveness, which is set out in
10	Claim I, and will be discussed next, but, specifically,
11	in Claim II, the defendant raises appellate counsel's
12	failure to raise the sufficiency of the indictment, his
13	speedy trial, and double jeopardy claims that he
14	attempts to raise in this petition which, as I
15	previously indicated, are based on the Apprendi claim
16	that he raised on appeal and barred by res judicata
17	here, but because Counsel did raise the Apprendi issue
18	on appeal, these more specific claims that the
19	defendant is making here fall under the Apprendi claim
20	that he did raise, in that, his lawyer did raise and
21	was heard by the Appellate Court and the Supreme Court
22	in which those courts were free to consider.
23	Specifically, his double jeopardy or speedy
24	trial claims in an Apprendi context as a basis for

1	relief, but regardless of that, there's absolutely no
2	legal authority for any of these claims anyway which
3	makes them frivolous and patently without merit, as is
4	the sufficiency of the indictment claim he again makes
5	here, which was previously discussed in connection with
6	Claim No. VI.
7	As far as trial counsel's ineffectiveness in
8	Claim I, for all the reasons that I've already stated
9	in this opinion with respect to the sufficiency of the
10	indictment, double jeopardy, speedy trial and the
11	perjury by Detective O'Connor, those claims have no
12	merit and in no way state the gist of the claim of
13	ineffective assistance.
14	He also complains about counsel's failure to
15	challenge the fingerprint evidence quote "none of which
16	was his," end quote. He doesn't say how he would
17	suggest counsel challenge lack of fingerprint evidence
18	inculpated him, but other than by objecting to the
19	testimony that wasn't his, which makes no sense, I'm
20	not sure what counsel could have done and didn't do.
21	And the fact remains that failure to object to
22	non-incriminating evidence is not ineffective
23	assistance under any circumstances.
24	Failure to retain a medical expert to explain

1	a diabetic reaction to reput his confession without any
2	affidavit from a potential witness or, for that matter,
3	from the defendant himself, does not state a claim of
4	ineffective assistance.
5	Likewise, a general claim of failure to
6	secure unnamed witnesses who have not submitted
7	affidavits to testify in his behalf, is not a
8	cognizable claim.
9	He claims that counsel failed to object to
10	his natural life sentence, but that sentence was what
11	got this case to the Illinois Supreme Court. So,
12	obviously, somehow that issue was preserved for appeal
13	And finally, he complains about counsel's
14	failure to advise him of his right to seek a
15	preliminary hearing and waive a Grand Jury hearing.
16	Suggesting that he has a Constitutional Right to
17	number 1, have a preliminary hearing, and No. 2,
18	prevent the State from presenting the case to the Grand
19	Jury, neither of which is true or has any legal basis,
20	whatsoever.
21	The State has the right to seek an indictment
22	from the Grand Jury whether there's a preliminary
23	hearing or not, and the defendant has no constitutional
24	right to a preliminary hearing. The law is clear as to

i	both of those legal principles. The defendant cites no
2	authority to the contrary as to either one of them.
3	Therefore, counsel could not have been
4	ineffective for not advising him of those totally
5	non-existent rights that he claims that he had.
6	Try as the defendant does to rephrase his
7	Apprendi claims, the Apprendi matter has been decided
8	in this case by both the Appellate Court and Supreme
9	Court.
10	The other non Apprendi claims that he makes
11	are so lacking in merit and patently frivolous, that it
12	has been difficult to comprehend the thrust of what
13	he's trying to say and comment on them as much as I
14	have.
15	At any rate his petition for post-conviction
16	relief is completely and totally and utterly without
17	any merit. It's patently frivolous, and it will be
18	dismissed at this time.
19	And before I direct the Court Reporter to
20	prepare a transcript, as my written order, I am going
21	to go one step further at this point and discuss the
22	habeas corpus petition that the defendant has also
23	filed, in the meantime, which is stamped filed by the
24	Clerk's office on May 9, 2005.

1	And in his habeas corpus petition the
2	defendant alleges all of the same Apprendi related
3	constitutional violations that he includes in his
4	post-conviction petition, but he alleges them under the
5	general allegation that the Court exceeded the limit of
6	its jurisdiction by considering the brutal and heinous
7	enhancement factors which were neither charged nor
8	submitted to the jury.
9	He also claims that because there was no
10	showing he was present during out-of-court statements
11	with the deceased which came in against him at trial,
12	somehow that entitles him to habeas corpus relief.
13	Those statements were admissible hearsay for the
14	reasons stated at trial and affirmed by the Appellate
15	Court, and that issue is subject to res judicata in a
16	habeas petition, just like it is in his post-conviction
17	petition, and not under any conceivable theory the
18	basis of a lack of jurisdiction claim.
19	His Apprendi claims are likewise barred by
20	res judicata for the same reasons stated in his
21	post-conviction petition and, nevertheless, are not the
22 -	basis of a claim of a lack of jurisdiction over either
23	his person or the underlying murder prosecution in this
24	case.

1	His claim pertaining to the restriction of
2	cross-examination of the assistant state's attorney who
3	testified to a statement is subject to waiver, as is
4	his claim regarding the court's failure to sus sponte
5	instruct the jury on second-degree murder, since both
6	of those issues could have been raised on appeal, but
7	more importantly, he fails to specify questions that he
8	was not allowed to ask on cross-examination or areas
9	that he was prevented from pursuing on
10	cross-examination with respect to that claim, and he
11	alleges absolutely no basis or evidence, whatsoever,
12	which would have warranted a second-degree murder
13	instruction. But, again, regardless of any of those
4	matters, those are not claims that even relate to a
15	lack of jurisdiction of either his person or the
16	subject matter of the prosecution in this case, and are
17	not cognizable in a habeas corpus petition for that
18	reason either.
19	So for all of those reasons this habeas
20	corpus petition that he's filed on May 9th, is also
21	denied. And I would direct the Court Reporter to
22	prepare a transcript with two copies, so that would be
23	three all together, an original and two copies, and one
24	of those copies will be mailed to the defendant by

1	certified mail at Register No. N 84660, Post Office Box
2	711, Menard, III. 62259.
3	And I'm going to continue this case until
4	Monday, June 20th, so that I can file that transcript
5	as my written order ruling on both his post-conviction
6	petition and his habeas corpus petition.
7	Thank you very much.
8	(The above-entitled cause was continued to
9	June 20, 2005.)
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1	STATE OF ILLINOIS)
2) SS:
3	COUNTY OF C O O K)
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7	I, CAROLYN C. BROWN, Official Court Reporter
8	of the Circuit Court of Cook County, County Department,
9	Criminal Division, do hereby certify that I reported in
10	shorthand the proceedings had at the hearing of the
11	above-entitled cause, and that the foregoing is a true
12	and correct transcript of the proceedings had.
13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22	CAROLYN C. BROWN Official Court Reporter CSR NO. 084-003848 Circuit Court of Cook County County Department Criminal Division
23 24	Dated this 3rd day of April, 2006.

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      court on the 22n day of June, A.D. 2005.
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        APPEARANCES:
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        MR. JEFF ALLEN,
            Assistant State's Attorney,
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            for the People of the State of
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THE COURT: Daniel Coleman. The order in this case is order of 6-13-05 to stand. Written notice, clerk to notify defendant by certified mail at register number N as Nantucket, 660 post office box 7-11, Menard, Illinois, 62259. (Which were all the proceedings had in the above-entitled matter.) 2 Q

I, YVONNE J. PULLIAM, CSR, Official Court
Reporter for the Circuit Court of Cook
County, Illinois, Judicial Circuit of
Illinois, Criminal Division, do hereby
certify that I reported in shorthand the
proceedings had on the hearing in the
above-entitled cause; that I thereafter
caused the foregoing to be transcribed,
which I hereby certify to be a true and
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before the Honorable LAWRENCE P. FOX, Judge
of said court.

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Reporter

of June, 2006.

Dated this 12th day

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4	COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CRIMINAL DIVISION					
5	PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS)					
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9	Defendant.)					
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13	above-entitled cause before the Honorable LAWRENCE P. FOX, one					
14	of the judges of said court, on the 21st day of July, A.D.,					
15	2005.					
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17	PRESENT: HON. RICHARD DEVINE					
18	State's Attorney of Cook County by, MS. NANCY NAZARIAN Accident State's Attorney					
19	Assistant State's Attorney, on behalf of the People.					
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23	Kathie Kerns, CSR, RPR					
24	Official Court Reporter CSR #084-002547					

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THE COURT: Daniel Coleman. I have a motion for petition for re-hearing on a habeas corpus of whatever he entitled it which I ruled on petition for re-hearing denied. Previous order is to stand.

STATE OF ILLINOIS) ss: COUNTY OF COOK I, KATHERINE A. KERNS, CSR, RPR, Official Shorthand Reporter of the Circuit Court of Cook County, County Department - Criminal Division, do hereby certify that I reported in shorthand the evidence had in the above-entitled cause and that the foregoing is a true and correct transcript of all the evidence heard. Official Shorthand Reporter Circuit Court of Cook County On this 20th day of November, A.D., 2005.

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THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS,

Plaintiff-Appellee,

V.

DANIEL COLEMAN,

Defendant-Appellant.

Appeal from the Circuit Court of Cook County.

No. 97 GR 9541

Honorable
Lawrence P. Fox,
Judge Presiding.

ORDER

Defendant Daniel Coleman appeals from the summary dismissal of his pro se petition for relief under the Post-Conviction Hearing Act (Act). 725 ILCS 5/122-1 et seq. (West 2004). Defendant contends that the trial court erred in summarily dismissing his petition because it stated the gist of a meritorious claim of ineffective assistance of trial counsel. We affirm.

Following a jury trial in 1999, defendant was convicted of first-degree murder. After determining that the crime was exceptionally brutal and heinous, the trial court sentenced defendant to natural life in prison. On direct appeal, we

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affirmed the judgment of the trial court. <u>People v. Coleman</u>, 347 Ill. App. 3d 266 (2004).

On March 15, 2005, defendant filed a pro se postconviction petition. Defendant's petition alleged, among other things, that he was denied effective assistance of counsel when his trial counsel failed to call an expert to testify to the effects of a diabetic reaction as rebuttal evidence to defendant's confession; that appellate counsel was ineffective for failing to raise meritorious claims on direct appeal; that the indictment was based on perjured testimony; that defendant was denied his right to confront witnesses; and that his natural life sentence was excessive in violation of Apprendi v. New Jersey, 530 U.S. 466, 147 L. Ed. 2d 435, 120 S. Ct. 2348 (2000). Although defendant attached numerous documents to his petition, he failed to attach any affidavits from a witness who could support his claim of a diabetic reaction.

On April 30, 2005, defendant filed a petition for habeas corpus relief alleging, among other things, that his natural life sentence was unconstitutional. On June 13, 2005, the trial court summarily dismissed defendant's postconviction petition and

On December 3, 2003, the Illinois Supreme Court vacated this court's initial opinion in <u>People v. Coleman</u>, 328 Ill. App. 3d 688 (2002) with directions to reconsider its ruling regarding defendant's <u>Apprendi</u> contentions in light of certain specified cases. After consideration of those cases, this court issued its opinion in <u>People v. Coleman</u>, 347 Ill. App. 3d 266 (2004), affirming defendant's conviction and sentence.

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habeas corpus petition after finding that the claims in both were barred by the doctrines of res judicata or waiver, as well as frivolous and without merit. Defendant appeals the summary dismissal of his postconviction petition.

Defendant contends on appeal that his petition stated the gist of a meritorious constitutional claim that his counsel was ineffective for failing to call an expert to testify to the effects of a diabetic reaction to "rebut" evidence of his confession.

The summary dismissal of a postconviction petition is a legal question which we review de novo. People v. Lucas, 203
Ill. 2d 410, 418 (2002). In order to proceed past the first stage of a postconviction proceeding, the defendant's petition must "clearly set forth the respects in which petitioner's constitutional rights were violated" and must include supporting "affidavits, records, or other evidence" or explain their failure to do so. 725 ILCS 5/122-2 (West 2004); People v. Collins, 202
Ill. 2d 59, 66 (2002). A petition not supported by affidavits, records or other evidence is properly dismissed at the first stage unless the defendant's allegation is uncontradicted and supported by the record. People v. Smith, 352 Ill. App. 3d 1095, 1105 (2004). Furthermore, a postconviction petition is considered frivolous or patently without merit, and thus properly dismissed at the first stage, "if the allegations in the

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petition, taken as true and liberally construed, fail to present the 'gist of a constitutional claim.' " People v. Edwards, 197 Ill. 2d 239, 244 (2001); quoting People v. Gaultney, 174 Ill. 2d 410, 418 (1996).

Defendant's allegation is simply too speculative to state the gist of a constitutional claim of ineffective assistance of counsel. As the State notes, defendant provided no details of this alleged diabetic reaction. His allegation did not provide any information as to the time, duration, or nature of the reaction. It did not describe any of the effects of this alleged diabetic reaction and provided no explanation of how it affected the voluntariness or reliability of his confession. Furthermore, defendant's petition failed to indicate that his attorney was even aware that defendant had such a reaction. Therefore, defendant's petition failed to state even the gist of a meritorious constitutional claim.

Moreover, the circuit court properly dismissed defendant's pro se postconviction petition because he failed to attach supporting documentation or an explanation for its absence, a fact which alone justified dismissal. See <u>Collins</u>, 202 Ill. 2d at 66.

For the foregoing reasons, we affirm the judgment of the circuit court of Cook County.

Affirmed.

FITZGERALD SMITH, P.J., with JOSEPH GORDON and O'MALLEY, JJ., concurring.

IN THE APPELLATE COURT OF ILLINOIS FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT SIXTH DIVISION

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS,

Plaintiff-Appellee,

v.

DANIEL COLEMAN,

Defendant-Appellant.

ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Defendant-Appellant's Petition For Rehearing is Denied.

Presiding Justice James Fitzgerald Smith

Justice Joseph Gordon

Justice Denise O'Malley/

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- and recognized and accepted qualitative and quantitative tests 1 that are recognized in the scientific community. He found 2 under -- in the -- under the fingernail clippings minute 3 amounts -- he found very minute amounts of human blood but an 4 insufficient amount for further testing and he found no debris 5 consistent with human skin cells. 6 We would offer to stipulate that the chain of custody 7 was at all times properly kept and preserved on all of the above 8 9 mentioned items. So stipulated? 10 MR. BUCHHOLZ: So stipulated. 11 MS. PERNECKE: We also offer again to stipulate with the 12 Defendant through his attorney that if Barbara Wilson, W I L S O 13 N, also of the Illinois State Police Crime Lab were called to 14 testify she also would be qualified as an expert by the Court and 15 would be qualified to render an expert opinion within a 16 reasonable degree of scientific certainty in the field of 17 18 forensic DNA analysis. That DNA analyst Barbara Wilson did examine and test 19
- 19 That DNA analyst Barbara Wilson did examine and test
 20 evidence where she properly employed all the tests the tests
 21 and procedures commonly recognized and accepted in the scientific
 22 community for determining the origin of DNA profiles contained
 23 within body fluids including blood and saliva.
- 24 That in doing so Barbara found -- excuse me. Barbara F-140

- Wilson examined the two cigarette butts that were recovered and 1 inventoried from the victim's apartment at 1038 West Rosemont. 2 Those were People's Exhibit 55. She compared the DNA profile of 3 the person who deposited the saliva on both of those cigarette 4 She compared that to the DNA profiles of the victim, 5 butts. Marchelle Coleman, and to the DNA profile of the Defendant, 6 Daniel Coleman. And she found that the DNA profile from both 7 cigarette butts matches that of Daniel Coleman and would be 8 expected to occur in approximately one in 1.1 trillion black 9 Americans or one in 15 trillion white Americans. 10 Miss Wilson also compared the DNA profile of the person 11 whose blood is found on the 1997 Golden Time calendar, that's 12 People's Exhibit 56, the small claw hammer, People's Exhibit 50, 13 the large claw hammer, People's 49, and the coiled phone cord, 14 People's Exhibit 53. She compared the blood on each of those 15 items again to the DNA profile from Marchelle Coleman and the DNA 16 profile from the Defendant, Daniel Coleman, and found that the 17 DNA profile from the blood on the calendar, both hammers and the 18 phone cord matches that of Marchelle Coleman and <u>not</u> Daniel 19 20 Coleman. We'd also offer to stipulate that the chain of custody 21 on all of these items was properly kept and preserved at all 22
- 24 So stipulated? F-141

times.

- 1 MR. BUCHHOLZ: So stipulated.
- 2 MS. PERNECKE: Thank you.
- 3 MS. MARK: Next stipulation reads as follows: "Now comes the
- 4 People of the State of Illinois by and through their attorney,
- 5 State's Attorney, Richard Devine, through his assistants, Joan
- 6 Pernecke and Julie Mark, and the Defendant, Daniel Coleman, by
- 7 and through counsel, Charles Buchholz, hereby stipulate that
- 8 Barbara Wilkins, W I L K I N S, is employed by the Illinois State
- 9 Police Crime Lab as a forensic scientist since 1995.
- 10 That Barbara Wilkins is a forensic scientist and is
- 11 qualified as an expert based on her education, training, and
- 12 experience in the field of latent print development.
- 13 That Barbara Wilkins did examine the evidence as
- 14 indicated below properly employing tests and procedures commonly
- 15 recognized and accepted in the scientific community for
- 16 ascertaining the presence of fingerprints.
- 17 That in doing so Barbara Wilkins found no latent
- 18 fingerprint impressions suitable for comparison on People's
- 19 Exhibit Number 55, the Cool and Newport cigarette butts, People's
- 20 Exhibit 54, the Camel match book, People's Exhibit Number 50, the
- 21 small claw hammer, People's Exhibit 49, the large claw hammer,
- 22 People's 51, the wooden bowl with lid, People's Exhibit 52, the
- 23 metal sleeve, People's Exhibit Number 53, phone cord and three
- 24 pieces of braided cord, People's Exhibit 56, the Golden Times F-142

1	1997 calendar, People's Exhibit 57, lamp with shade and light					
2	bulb and People's Exhibit Number 58, the oscillating fan with					
3	broken cord.					
4	That on all of these exhibits that were no prints					
5	suitable for comparison. There were no latent prints with enough					
6	unique characteristics to do a comparison for identification.					
7	That Barbara Wilkins compared seven latent prints which					
8	were lifted from the victim Marchelle Coleman's apartment, one					
9	from the telephone receiver in the living room, one from the					
10	outside of the front door, two prints from the broken mirror on					
11	the bedroom floor, one print from the hall closet mirror and two					
12	prints from the inside of the front door.					
13	Barbara Wilkins properly employed tests and procedures					
14	commonly recognized and accepted in the scientific community for					
15	determining the origin of the latent prints.					
16	That Barbara Wilkins compared the seven latent prints					
17	from victim Marchelle Coleman's apartment to victim Marchelle					
18	Coleman's fingerprint card and to the Defendant Daniel Coleman's					
19	fingerprint cards. That the comparison of the Defendant's					
20	fingerprint cards to the lifted prints did not reveal an					
21	identification. That the comparison of the victim's fingerprint					
22	cards to the lifted prints revealed that Marchelle Coleman left					
23	the two prints on the inside of the front door of her apartment.					
24	That the remaining five prints lifted from the victim's apartment					

were not the victim's or the Defendant's. 1 That Barbara Wilkins would testify that a latent print 2 is left on a surface by the oil from a person's finger when a 3 person touches a surface. 4 Latent prints are not always left on a surface. 5 6 are many factors and circumstances which determine whether a latent print is left on a surface. The nature of the surface is 7 8 one factor. If the surface is dirty or rough or corrugated, it 9 is less likely that a print will be left on that surface. 10 Whether a person's finger are sweaty or dry is another factor which will determine whether a latent print is left on a surface. 11 If a person touches an object and then smears or smudges the 12 object touched, the latent prints will likewise be smeared or 13 14 smudged. There are numerous environmental factors which also 15 contribute to whether a latent print is left on an object. These 16 17 include the temperature and the humidity. Additionally at the time from when the person touches 18 19 an object until when the latent print is lifted is another The longer amount of time the less likely a latent print 20

23 A latent print will not be present if someone has worn
24 gloves or if this person has wiped the surface which they have
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will be left because as the oil from your skin which forms the

fingerprint evaporates the latent print evaporates.

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1 touched. The chain of custody was at all times properly kept and 2 3 preserved on the above mentioned items." So stipulated? 4 MR. BUCHHOLZ: So stipulated, Judge. 5 6 THE COURT: Okay. The next stipulation reads as follows: "Now comes 7 the People of the State of Illinois by and through their 8 attorney, State's Attorney, Richard Devine, through Joan" --9 "Assistants Joan Pernecke and Julie Mark, and the Defendant, 10 Daniel Coleman, by and through counsel, Charles Buchholz, hereby 11 stipulate that if Robert Berk, B E R K, were called to testify he 12 would testify that he is employed as a forensic scientist by the 13 Illinois State Police Crime Lab and has been so employed since 14 1996. He would also testify that he was employed as a forensic 15 scientist by the Chicago Police Crime Lab from 1987 until 1996. 16 That Robert Berk is a forensic scientist and is 17 qualified as an expert based on his education, training, and 18 experience in the field of optical and trace microscopy, M I C R 19 OSCOPY. That Robert Berk is presently qualified as an 20 expert in the field of optical and trace microscopy and has been 21 an expert since 1987. That he has been qualified as an expert to 22 render his expert opinion in open court since 1987 until the 23 24 present.

1	That the science of optical and trace microscopy						
2	involves analyzing trace materials. Trace materials are anything						
3	which may be transferred from one place to another. Examples of						
4	trace materials are hair fibers, carpet fibers, glass or paint.						
5	The recovered trace materials are then compared with standards						
6	from a known origin. Robert Berk would compare the recovered						
7	trace materials to the known standards.						
8	That Robert Berk did examine the evidence and properly						
9	employed tests and procedures commonly recognized and accepted in						
10	the scientific community of optical and trace microscopy.						
11	That Robert Berk received from the Chicago Police						
12	Department People's Exhibit 60-A as a sample of ash from victim's						
13	back and People's Exhibit 60-B, boy, a partially burned paper						
14	towel from the floor of the bedroom which had previously been						
15	inventoried under Chicago Police Department inventory number						
16	1775006. He also received People's Exhibit Number 49, a large						
17	claw hammer, People's Exhibit Number 50, a small claw hammer,						
18	People's Exhibit Number 51, a wooden bowl with lid, People's						
19	Exhibit" "the metal sleeve, People's Exhibit Number 52, the						
20	phone cord, and People's Exhibit Number 53, the braided leather						
21	cord which were recovered from the bedroom and which were						
22	inventoried under Chicago Police Department inventory 1775008.						
23	People's Exhibit Number 53 was the phone cord and the leather						
24	cord. The wooden bowl with the lid was People's Exhibit 52. F-146						

Robert Berk also received People's Exhibit Number 54, a Camel 1 2 match book and People's Exhibit 55, Cool and Newport cigarette 3 butts recovered from the living room ashtray which were inventoried under Chicago Police Department inventory number 4 1775009. That Robert Berk also received People's Exhibit Number 5 56, a Golden Times 1997 calendar recovered from the hallway wall, 6 7 People's Exhibit Number 57, a broken lamp with shade and People's Exhibit Number 58, an oscillating fan with a broken cord 8 9 recovered from the bed in the bedroom which were inventoried under Chicago Police Department inventory number 1775010. 10 Robert Berk also recovered victim Marchelle Coleman's hair. 11 had standards which were plucked from her head, combings of hair 12 13 and any debris collected by combing through the pubic hair 14 standards, the brown bags from the victim Marchelle Coleman's hands. Brown bags had been pulled over the victim's hands after 15 she was fingerprinted at the morgue, Daniel" -- "Defendant Daniel 16 Coleman's head hair standards and Defendant Daniel Coleman's 17 pubic hair standards. 18 19 That Robert Berk examined and analyzed and compared People's Exhibit 49 through 60-A and B, all the exhibits which I 20 21 just mentioned, with the standards from the known or against from the victim and Defendant. That as a result of Robert Berk's 22 23 examination, analysis and comparison he could render his expert 24 opinion in open court. His opinion is within a reasonable degree

1	of scientific certainty.						
2	That Robert Berk's expert opinion that" "opinion						
3	that People's Exhibit 60-A, the ash from the victim's back is						
4	microscopically consistent with the charred portions of People's						
5	Exhibit 60-B, partially burned paper towel from the floor of the						
6	bedroom indicating a possible source of origin.						
7	People's Exhibit 49, the large claw hammer, People's						
8	Number 50, the small claw hammer, People's 51, the wooden bowl						
9	with lid, People's 52, the metal sleeve, People's Number 53, the						
10	phone cord and the braided leather cord, and People's Exhibit						
11	Number 58, the oscillating fan with broken cord and the brown						
12	bags from the victim's hands all contained Negroid head hairs.						
	These hairs are microscopically consistent with the victim's						
14	plucked head hairs and dissimilar to the Defendant's head hair						
15	standards. Thus these hairs could have originated from Marchelle						
<u>1</u> 6	Coleman and did not originate from Daniel Coleman.						
(17)	That one pubic hair was recovered from People's Exhibit						
18	Number 58, the oscillating fan with the broken cord. This pubic						
19	hair is microscopically consistent with the victim Marchelle						
20	Coleman's pubic hair and is dissimilar to the Defendant's pubic						
21	hair, thus this pubic hair could have originated from the victim						
22	and could not have originated from the Defendant.						
23	Tobacco and ash were observed in People's Exhibit						

Number 55, the Cool and Newport cigarette butts from the living $$\operatorname{\textsc{F-}}148$$

- 1 room ashtray. No trace materials were recovered from People's
- 2 Exhibit 54, the Camel match book and People's Exhibit Number 56,
- 3 the Golden Times, 1997 calendar.
- 4 Heat damage was observed to the victim's pubic hair
- 5 standards. Some of the recovered hairs were not suitable for
- 6 comparison. They were not suitable for comparison because
- 7 chemical or physical damage to the hair or because the physical
- 8 sample size of the hair was too small for comparison. A hair
- 9 standard of less than an eighth of an inch is unsuitable for
- 10 comparison.
- 11 That the chain of custody was at all times properly
- 12 kept on all of the above mentioned evidence."
- 13 So stipulated?
- 14 MR. BUCHHOLZ: So stipulate.
- 15 THE COURT: State have anything further?
- 16 MS. PERNECKE: Not today, Judge.
- 17 THE COURT: Okay. Fine. Folks, we're going to recess for
- 18 the day. It looks like we probably won't go as late tomorrow as
- 19 we've gone today and we will get the case to you as early on
- 20 Thursday as we possibly can for your deliberation. So that's
- 21 about all I can tell you today. I would hope to be out of here
- 22 before 4:00 o'clock tomorrow so that's my plan and I would hope
- 23 to argue the case as early as possible on Thursday and get it to
- you for your deliberation. So keep that in mind in making your F-149

1	plans.					
2	And remember my admonition, don't discuss the case					
3	among yourselves or with anyone else or allow anyone to discuss					
4	it in your presence. Keep an open mind until you've heard all					
5	the evidence, the arguments of counsel and the instructions from					
6	the Court.					
7	And have a nice evening. We will see you back here					
8	tomorrow morning at 10:00 o'clock instead of 10:30 and I promise					
9	we will start earlier than we did today. Thank you very much.					
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